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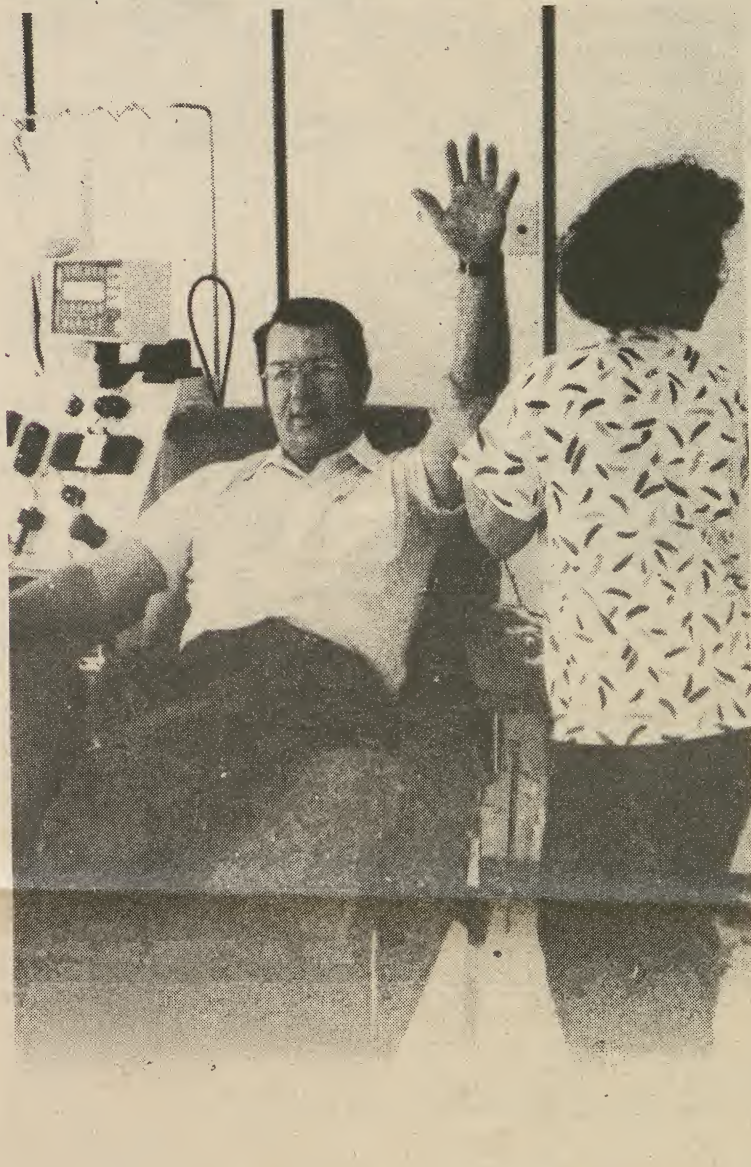


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**IT DOESN'T HURT... IT DOESN'T HURT-** A Stewart Blood Center donor is attended by a staff member. The blood bank will be on campus next month to conduct the annual blood drive to benefit Shriner hospitals.

## Faculty parking lots open to students after 5 p.m.

Students get a break after 5. Students may park in any faculty lot after 5 p.m. except for the upper and lower faculty lots north of Aleck Genecov Science and Arts Building, according to Campus Safety information. The rest of the time both students and faculty must use designated parking places.

No one may park in handicap parking without a permit. State law requires handicapped persons to obtain handicapped permits from county automobile registration departments to park in any handicapped zones.

Temporary handicap permits are available in the Campus Safety Office between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Students may get a temporary handicap permit if they have had some type of surgery or have broken a leg. They must bring

a letter from their doctor saying they need to park in a handicap space. The doctor also needs to specify how long the person needs to park there. For more information call 510-2258.

Visitors' parking is provided in all parking lots on campus for visitors only. No student or faculty may park in these areas for any length of time, according to Campus Safety information.

The curved drive at the end of Jenkins Hall has been changed to visitor parking only to replace visitor spaces lost to construction of the White Administrative Service Center.

The parking lot in front of the HPE Center has been temporarily changed to faculty parking. Students are not allowed to park there until after 5 p.m.

## Law to require publication of campus crime statistics

Campus crime statistics will soon be available to students in brochure form due to the "Student Right to Know and Campus Security Act" passed by congress last November. The law goes into effect Sept. 1, 1992.

According to the federal law, all colleges and universities will be required to submit an annual copy of crime figures to the Secretary of Education, publicize campus safety policies and publish annual crime statistics. This includes the number of murder, rape, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary and motor vehicle theft incidents that occur each year.

TJC officials are now gathering and averaging statistics and will be able to present students with any information they need, TJC Crime Prevention Specialist David Dixon said.

"They did not catch us flat-footed," Campus Safety Coordinator Gene Carney said. "We've been providing (information)."

Every college has crime, Carney said, but many want to put it into a corner. Although TJC has a very low crime rate compared to other colleges of the same size, "many times, crimes that occur on campus and we can blame ourselves.

If it did happen then let's be aware of it and combat it," he said.

According to the eleven-year veteran officer, the most common crime committed here is theft, ranging from books to theft of services. Recent statistics show a significant decrease in theft on campus.

Carney said last year 70 thefts were reported opposed to the present 22, and three auto thefts occurred last year compared to 2 this year.

"Of those two, both were recovered and the perpetrators were arrested," he said.

Carney believes students are becoming more involved which contributes greatly to the decreasing crime.

Some students say they agree with the new law because higher crime rates would have affected their choice of school.

"I came from San Antonio College and the crime rate here is lower...I want to be safe when I go to college," Sophomore Shawn Floyd said.

On the other hand, Freshman Corey Williams said his choice would not have been altered because "it's (crime) the same wherever you go."

They agreed that they do want access to published statistics.

Carney said his office has been keeping track of the number of crimes

reported, campus safety offers prevention information and programs as well.

Throughout the year, campus safety officers lead sessions to educate students on date and stranger rape, theft awareness and safeguarding property.

In other crime prevention efforts, dormitories are equipped with coded key locks that can be changed every week or more if needed. Curfews for guests are also enforced.

Campus Security offers an escort service and criminal justice students serve as "cadets" who patrol the campus and contact officers if suspicious situations occur.

"The cadets do a tremendous job acting as our eyes and ears," Carney said. "Every call is answered. We'd rather answer 100 bogus calls than miss one good one."

Campus safety officers, by state regulation, are required to have at least 40 hours of updated training every two years, but, Carney said, if funds permit, they usually exceed that.

If students would learn to protect their own things it would help security a lot, Carney said.

No definite date has been set for the release of the published statistics.

## ID cards available in Library

Identification cards are a necessity at Tyler Junior College for those who are active around campus.

I.D. cards are required to get into the HPE Center for any reason: to swim, play racketball or just put something into a locker. Identification cards also enable a student to attend football games and any theater program performance free. Cards are required to check out books in the Vaughn Library. Cards marked with a bar code are a student's meal ticket to the cafeteria.

New and replacement I.D. cards may be obtained

on the second floor of Vaughn Library. Martha Hogan, director of computer learning services, said students must show a copy of a current class schedule before an I.D. card will be issued. Cards issued free at registration cost \$5 now. Pictures for the cards are taken in the Library basement, and may take a day or so to be developed.

I.D. cards may be purchased anytime during the semester and are permanent until the student is no longer enrolled at TJC. Cards are renewed with stickers placed on the backs. These can also be obtained on the second floor of the Library.

## Computer Science recycles

The Computer Science Club is recycling paper on campus.

Club representative Blake King said the group is "very conscious of the vast waste of paper here" and they want everyone else to share that awareness.

Last semester alone, King estimates, 25,000 pounds of paper were thrown away here.

The Club has set a goal of collecting 6,000 pounds of waste paper to recycle this semester. They will take all kinds of office and computer paper.

For paper to be recycled, paper clips, staples, carbon paper, plastic windows and adhesive must be removed. Club members will pick up paper on campus, depending on the amount the student or office has.

The Club is also trying to get surrounding businesses involved in recycling. Not enough people are available to help recycling their own waste paper, King said.

Those who would like to get involved with recycling paper on campus can contact King at 510-2570 or 592-8025.



## Prison system offers many job opportunities

### College degrees can open employment doors

By Cheril Sweet  
former editor

When most college-educated people think of jobs, prison never crosses their minds. Yet, the Texas Department of Criminal Justice-Institutional Division (TDCJ-ID), has many opportunities for career-oriented people.

In 1990, recruiters traveled 43,000 miles and visited 29 locations to generate applicants for jobs in security, health services and other areas. Replacing employees and new positions caused by expansion or opening new units have led to an enormous number of job openings. Eleven units are planning to open by March, 1993, in Texas.

"We have openings throughout the year," Michael Unit Counselor Jim Bullock said about the Windham School System, which hires instructors from elementary to college-level.

"A person with a degree climbs the ladder the fastest. Education makes the difference," Bullock said.

Opportunities in prison education include: secretaries, testers, teacher's aides, classroom teachers, counselors and

psychologists.

When most people think of prison, they think of movies and envision huge, mean inmates carrying bats and hand-made knives. But after a tour of the 78-acre Michael Unit, a TDCJ-ID unit located in Tennessee Colony, would change their minds. The unit is well-kept, clean and modernly designed. The inmates, clothed in crisp, white uniforms, could pass as a next-door neighbor.

The 2250-bed correctional facility is comprised of four general units made up of 504 beds, an 80-bed transit facility and a 200 bed trustee facility, it is maintained by an average of 825 employees, with a total monthly gross income of \$1.5.

The prison is surrounded by a tall, razor-wired fence 12 feet high and six 40 foot tall pickets, small towers guarded by a correctional officer. Correctional officers work as rovers, control booth operators or as picket officers, with a one to six ratio to inmates.

Electronically-controlled doors provide correctional officers with extra security.

At one point in the tour, a sergeant instructed all inmates to leave a sally-port, a small hallway which contained a tiny barber shop

room and a electronic door which leads to a control booth. They included an inmate who was getting his hair cut.

To become a correctional officer, one must have a high school diploma or a GED equivalent, fill out an application and take the pre-service training if chosen.

Pre-service training consists of three weeks of academic training followed by two weeks on-the-job training or successful completion of a certified college program. The curriculum teaches the officer rules and regulations, court-mandated stipulations and basic fundamentals necessary to work in the correctional environment.

"The good side of working here is the job security and pay. The benefits are excellent, except that there is no dental plan," Russell Davis, Michael Unit compliance sergeant, said. "The camaraderie of the people is incredible."

The only ones who have trouble with the job Davis mentioned are employees who cannot handle stress or take the job home with them.

Another problem is a high divorce rate for law enforcement officers in general.

## TV classes grow

by Mantequilla Green  
staff writer

Instructional Television has increased every semester by approximately 200 students since its beginning in 1985.

The ITV program is designed for college students who are unable to attend regular classes. It was started by instructors Steve Burket and Anne Rye teaching government and history in the Humanities Division. The program now offers Business 113 and 213; Chemistry 1141; Computer Science 113A; English 113; Government 213 and 223; History 213; Psychology 213 and Sociology 213.

This program allows students to gain credit outside the classroom in five ways. Students may checkout videotaped lessons from Vaughn Library or watch the lessons on the United Artists Cable Channel 30 or record the lessons from this channel at home to use later.

If none of these work, students may come to campus and study the video taped lessons in the Library or in the Learning Resources Center at the Regional Training and Development Center.

Any student eligible for college courses at TJC may take ITV classes. The student must attend an orientation session to be counted. Instruc-

tors are available to help the student with any questions. The student may also visit the instructor for tests review sessions or call the ITV hotline number for help.

Self-discipline is the key to succeeding in this program, Linda Watkins, assistant dean of humanities and social sciences, said.

"In order for a student to successfully complete this course, he must not get behind on his work. If there are questions, he must call his instructor," Watkins said.

"The percentage of students succeeding is about the same rate as regular classes, but the drop out rate is extremely high," said Joy Watson. Watson is director of behavioral sciences and teaches Sociology and Psychology.

The flexibility of this program is its most important factor. Most of the people in these classes only come to campus twice a month. Therefore it is easy to find other activities more fun than studying. This is why the students fail. They are not disciplined enough to study.

Barbara McNew, an ITV student said the program is harder because the taped lessons are vague.

"It is hard to decide what notes to take from the tapes, whereas you know what notes to take from a personal lecturer."

## City editor explains work to journalism students

by Richard Choy  
page editor

Terry Cannon, Tyler Courier Times city editor, gave journalism students an inside view of daily newspaper work Monday.

Cannon came to Tyler in 1984 from the Terrell Tribune to work at the sports desk. He worked sports until 1988, when he moved to news. Before becoming city editor last year, he worked on both wire and local copy.

"Sports are fun, but not serious," Cannon said.

He likes the challenge presented by the seriousness of the news.

"As city editor, I like to provide the most useful info to the readers," he said.

Cannon fielded questions on news reporting and specifics about the Courier Times from the Mass Communications students.

As city editor, Cannon has to answer questions and respond to comments, suggestions and complaints from readers. He plans the layout of the paper and decides what to print according to what readers are most concerned about. Because he is in charge of the reporters and two other editors for wire and local news, he stays busy.

"With all of my other work, I only get to edit three to five stories per day," Cannon said.

Cannon said his supervisors are the operations editor, the executive editor and the news director.

Cannon graduated from East Texas State University in 1978 with a degree in journalism and history.

Mass Comm Instructor Terry Shirley said Cannon is only the first of many representatives from various media who will talk to the class this semester.

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See what Tyler high schools are doing in Oct. 3 News  
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## Rodeo Club plans to compete 4 times.

The Rodeo Club will compete in four rodeos this fall and in 10 next semester. They compete in the southern region, which includes half of Texas and Arkansas. Students must pay their own entry fees, but any money they win is theirs to keep.

The Club which has been in existence for more than 20 years, meets at noon every other Wednesday in the basement of Aleck Genecov Arts and Science Building. The next meeting will be Oct. 9.

Everyone is welcome to join the club, Sponsor Larry Pilgrim said, but officers must be full time students taking at least 12 hours and have at least a 2.0 GPA.

Officers are: President Nelson Carter, Vice President Ginger Newburn, Secretary/Treasurer Michelle Brock, Student Senate Representative Byrell Bates and Reporter Cindy Johnson.

Many Club members are involved in active competition, although students do not have to com-

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pete to join.

Competition includes: bronc riding, bull riding, calf roping, team roping, and barrel racing. Each person earns individual points to qualify them for regional and national finals. The points from all individuals are added together to get a team score to rank the team as a whole.

At the meetings they usually discuss the next rodeo and plan activities, Pilgrim said. They participate in Student Senate activities and the fall blood drive.

Last year they sponsored a trail ride to help raise funds to find Megan Gamer, the little girl kidnapped from Casa Grande apartments, he said.

## Campus Briefs

### Nursing students volunteer at ET Medical

Thirty nursing students are enjoying the rewarding experience of serving as volunteers at East Texas Medical Center this fall in the new "Tender Touch" program. They are earning course credits as well.

The program is part of the requirements for a sociology class in gerontology Rebecca Foster teaches. Her students are working with the aged throughout the hospital to learn all types of nursing techniques for geriatric care.

"The staff of East Texas Medical Center is pleased

to provide a learning environment for these young men and women," Coordinator of Volunteer Services coordinator Sue Bryarly said. Bryarly is the hospital's liaison with Tender Touch.

Each Tender Touch student worker must devote at least three hours per week to the program. Students are required to keep written records regarding patient care and services provided. They can be identified by their name tags, green vests and aprons.

### Campus bookstore changes management

The TJC bookstore on campus is changing. Management, merchandise and payment methods are all new.

Tom Wade became campus bookstore manager Aug. 1. Prior to coming here, Wade managed a Wal-Mart store and another bookstore for three and a half years each. He works for Follett Bookstores who assumed management of the store.

Bookstore hours will be 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday.

"I'll be available throughout the day to help students with problems concerning the bookstore," Wade said.

The store's new phone number, 510-2522, became effective Sept. 17.

One big change this year is the year-round buyback policy. Students can now sell back unneeded textbooks anytime instead of just selling books back only within 15 calendar days after class starts.

Wade said a large variety of merchandise will be on the shelves soon but details are not ready yet.

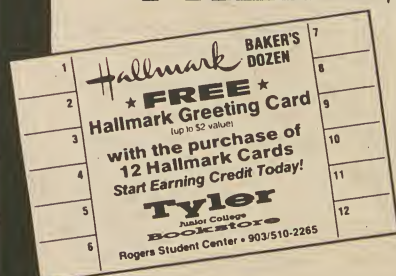
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# Racquetball Club opens new year

Wanted: persons, male and female, interested in friendly competition and in being part of an active organization.

The Apache Racquetball Club which met Saturday "had a modest turnout, including two or three women, which makes Coach Ruether very happy," Racquetball Club Sponsor Ken Ruether said. The Club has had trouble attracting female members in the past, a situation Ruether would like to see improve.

Members returning from last

year's team include Jimmy and John Audas, William Garvin, Maryann Lackland, and J.C. Thomas. John Audas is acting president, but the group will elect officers and a Student Senate representative at the next meeting, Ruether said.

Meeting times, challenge ladder standings, and information about upcoming events can be found on the bulletin board beside Court 10 in the Health and Physical Education Center. Challenge matches will be played from 6-9 p.m. Wednesdays and

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Thursdays at the HPE Center.

In addition to running the challenge ladder, the Club participates in as many tournaments as possible. Last spring they hosted the South Central Regional Intercollegiate Racquetball Championships. Teams from The University of Texas at Austin, Texas

A&M, The University of Oklahoma, and several other schools participated in the tourney. TJC finished second in men's team standings and fourth overall although they had no women competing in the event.

The club will try to participate in several events this fall. They hope to

send one or two players to nationals in Houston.

The Apache Invitational, which the club has hosted for two years, will not be held this year because of a scheduling conflict with another tournament in town. Instead the Club is concentrating its efforts on bringing the regional championships back to TJC in February 1992, Ruether said.

Those who have questions which are not answered by the bulletin board may contact Ruether at 510-2458.

## P.E.? H.K.?

*Name change confuses some*

By Mary Betterton  
staff writer

When they discover that health and kinesiology is simply physical education, most folks wonder why the change was necessary at all. Rolly Schick, health and P.E. program director, welcomes an opportunity to help dispel some of the confusion the name change has caused.

In response to Texas Senate Bill 994 four-year teaching institutions that grant teaching certificates must limit the number of "education" hours in a student's major to 18, Schick said.

To comply and include P.E. in each degree plan and not interfere with that student's major, the Texas Higher Education Co-ordinating

Board changed the title of physical education to health and kinesiology.

Although TJC is a two-year college and the ruling is not mandatory at this level, official decided to institute the change to help students avoid so much confusion when they transfer to a university, Schick said.

Kinesiology, (pronounced ki-nee'-se-ol-e-je), is defined as the science or study of human muscular movements.

Health and kinesiology provides the necessary components for a lifetime "well-being" attitude placing equal emphasis on the physical, intellectual, emotional, spiritual and social aspects that form this concept, Schick said, exactly as physical education has done in the past.

## Course opens HPE pool to families

Faculty members and their families and non-TJC students can enjoy the HPE Center pool with the Family Fun Swim course this semester. Roland Schick, director of the Health and Physical Education Center, said most people register for the course because it is convenient, economical

and is offered year-round.

"We love it!" Staff Aide Sondra Ramsour said. She said her two sons enjoyed the unlimited access to the pool last summer.

The course will be offered again next semester. Anyone interested should contact the registrar's office.

## Grad deadline nears

Students who want to graduate at the end of the fall semester must apply at the registrar's office by 8 p.m. Oct. 1, Registrar Records Technician Dayna Cooper said.

Those students will need to: meet all degree requirements in campus catalog have all transcripts from previously attended universities process all paperwork fill out an application requesting approval to graduate pay \$15 fee

Fall graduates have no formal ceremony. Those who apply and meet the criteria will receive a letter when their diploma is ready, Cooper said. They may then pick it up at the registrar's office.

Those who have questions about graduation should contact the registrar's office.

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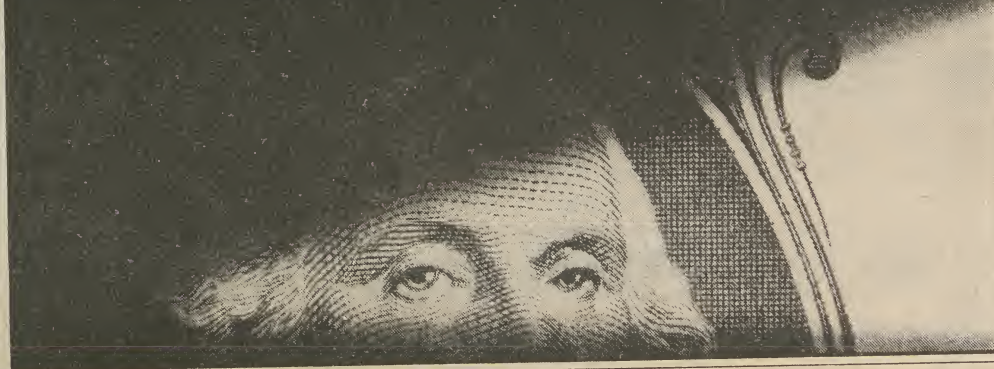
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